

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 ISLAMA 08472 010815Z

15

ACTION NEA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EA-11 PM-07 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00

RSC-01 AID-20 PA-03 PRS-01 USIA-15 DRC-01 /082 W

----- 108677

R 010412Z OCT 73

FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO CINCPAC HONOLULU HI

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 1349

SECDEF WASH DC

JCS WASH DV

CSAF WASH DC

CINCUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HI

CDR USA EIGHT ARMY SEOUL KS

CDR 52 AVN BN SEOUL KS

AMCONSUL LAHORE

AMCONSUL KARACHI

UNCLAS ISLAMABAD 8472

FROM THE CHARGE.

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SWEL, PK

SUBJ: PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF EFFORT

1. AS WE BID FAREWELL TO THIRTY SEVEN OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE 52ND US ARMY AVIATION DETACHMENT, I TAKE PERSONAL PRIDE AND PLEASURE IN OFFERING TO EACH OF THEM MY MOST SINCERE APPRECIATION AND COMMENDATION FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE WHILE SUPPORTING THE PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF EFFORT DURING THE PAST FIVE WEEKS.

2. ABLY LED, BY LT COLONEL EDWARD T. RICHARDS, SPECIAL ACTION FORCES ASIA - OKINAWA, THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF ALL US FORCES OPERATING IN PAKISTAN AND MAJOR RICHARD C. RAGLAND, DET COMMANDER, THE US ARMY UH-1 HELICOPTER AIR CREWS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL DISPLAYED EXTRAORDINARY INITIATIVE, FLEXIBILITY, SKILL, AND DEDICATION IN

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 ISLAMA 08472 010815Z

ACCOMPLISHING THE MISSIONS OF RESCUING PERSONNEL FROM

FLOODED AREAS, PROVIDING FOOD TO LARGE NUMBERS OF MAROONED RESIDENTS, TRANSPORTING OF GOVERNMENT RELIEF OFFICIALS, AND CROP SPRAYING OF VAST ACREAGES IN THE DEVASTATED, FLOOD STRICKEN, FOOD PRODUCING REGIONS OF PAKISTAN.

3. THEIR GREAT HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS HAVE BEEN UNIVERSALLY APPRECIATED IN PAKISTAN AND PERSONALLY ACCLAIMED BY PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO. THIS ALL VOLUNTEER UNIT, IN THEIR INDEFATIGABLE EFFORT, HAVE BROUGHT COMFORT TO THOUSANDS AND A NEW EXPRESSION OF WARMTH AND GRATITUDE FOR AMERICANS FROM THE PAKISTAN PEOPLE. THEIR FULL COOPERATION WITHIN GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN OFFICIALS HAS BROUGHT ADMIRATION AND RESPECT AS WELL AS EASING THE EFFECTS OF A NATIONAL CATASTROPHE. THEY HAVE DONE ALL THIS WITH LITTLE REGARD FOR PERSONAL HAZARDS AND COMFORTS OVER THE FULL PERIOD OF THE EMERGENCY.

4. THE SUPERB UNIT AND INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE OF THESE SOLDIERS HAS BEEN IN ACCORD WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND IS WORTHY OF SPECIAL COMMENDATION FOR EACH. ANOTHER JOB WELL DONE.  
SANDERHOFF

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** DISASTER RELIEF, MILITARY ASSISTANCE, FLOODS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 01 OCT 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973ISLAMA08472  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** ISLAMABAD  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19731060/aaaabsbq.tel  
**Line Count:** 84  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ACTION NEA  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** martinjw  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 10 DEC 2001  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <10-Dec-2001 by chappeld>; APPROVED <12 FEB 2002 by martinjw>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF EFFORT  
**TAGS:** SWEL, MILI, PK, US  
**To:** n/a  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005